

Preliminary Amendment dated **January 31**, 2005
Application claiming priority from PCT/CH2003/000417

REMARKS

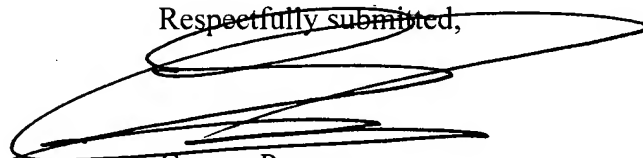
Claims 1-23 are pending in the current application. Claims 1-13 have been amended hereby and new claims 14-23 have been added.

The amendments to claims 1-13 are clerical in nature and the substantive scope of these claims have not been amended hereby. More specifically, claims 1-13 have been amended to remove reference numerals from the claims and to eliminate multiply dependent claims.

The specification has been amended hereby to assert a claim of priority and to eliminate informalities in the specification.

In the event Applicant has overlooked the need for any extension of time or payment of fee, Applicant hereby petitions therefor and authorizes that any charges be made to Deposit Account No. 16-0248, Pappas Law Offices. Should the Examiner have any further questions regarding any of the foregoing, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned at (260) 426-2340.

Respectfully submitted,



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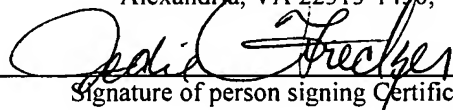
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